THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) M/s. Abbott Laboratories are selling the forumulations of this drug under the name of Pentothol Sodium Injection at the approved price of 0.5 gm. vital at Rs. 5.08 and for 1 gm. vial at Rs. 8.52.

(d) to (f) Details of industrial licences obtained by M/s. Abbott Laboratories earlier in 1976 for different bulk drugs are given below:—

Sl. No.	Name of the Bulk Drug	Licensed quantity
1.	Gibberallic Acid	365·00 Kgs.
2.	Erythromycin .	4·00 tonnes
3.	Thiopentone Sodium	1000·00 Kgs.

As the party did not implement the licence the same was cancelled on 31st January, 1979.

(g) Information to the extent available is already given in reply to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2199 answered on 9th December, 1985.

(h) M/s. Abbott Laboratories have recently applied for fixation of price of Pentothol Sodium.

Import of Drugs for sale

2818. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 977 given in the Rajya Sabha on 25th November 85 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Gentamycin Sulphate; Pseduo Ephedrine Hcl and Pyramethamina were imported for sale during 1981-82, 1982-83 and 1983-84;

(b) if so, what was the quantity imported by each company for sale during these years, year-wise and what was the price fixed for each drug for sale to others during each year;

(c) whether Government monitors the sale of those drugs;

(d) if so, what is the system adopted by Government and if not, then how Government could ensure that these drugs have been sold at fixed prices;

(e) whether Government have issued any notice to any importer who imported bulk drugs for sale and selling those drugs without obtaining the price fixation order; and

(f) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a), (b), (e) and (f) Details to the extent available would be collected and laid on the Table of the House.

(c) No Sir.

(d) As and when specific instances come to the notice of the Government, action is taken.

Shortage of PAS and its salts

2819. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to unstarred Question 982 given in the Rajya Sabha on 25th November, 1985 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a shortage of PAS and its salts as well as Thiacetazone;

(b) names of drug companies which are licensed to produce these drugs, licenced capacity and production of each drug during the last three years, year-wise;

(c) whether it is a fact that drug companies are not interested to produce essential bulk drugs falling under category I and II;

(d) names of companies who are licensed to produce bulk drugs falling under category I and II along with licensed